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November 1, 2012

Ms. Diane Spencer Environmental Project Manager Western Federal Lands Highway Division 610 East Fifth Street Vancouver, Washington 98661

Ms. Lee Taylor, Superintendent San Juan Island National Historical Park P.O. Box 429 Friday Harbor, Washington 98250

Re: Cattle Point Road Realignment Project, Final Environmental Impact Statement

(EPA Region 10 Project Number: 01-064-DOI).

Dear Ms. Spencer and Ms. Taylor:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has reviewed the Cattle Point Road Realignment Project Final Environmental Impact Statement. We are submitting comments in accordance with our responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act.

We appreciate the response to our comment on the Draft EIS regarding air quality construction mitigation measures. We note that the Final EIS air quality mitigation measures are now consistent with those presented in the Park's General Management Plan, including AQ-2 and AQ-3, which address construction equipment pollution controls and dust control measures respectively. Regarding measure AQ-3, we would like to add that in order to avoid introducing additional toxic pollutants to soil, groundwater, surface water, and air, we recommend the use of water rather than chemicals or oil for dust control.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the NEPA process for the Cattle Point Road realignment. If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at (206) 553-1601 or by electronic mail at reichgott.christine@epa.gov or you may contact Elaine Somers of my staff at (206) 553-2966 or by electronic mail at somers.elaine@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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